Dear Mayfly Festival supporter,



The Coos Watershed Association's **9th annual free, family-friendly Mayfly Festival** will return to Mingus Park on May 17, 2025! We are giving community partners an opportunity to support this fun event by becoming a sponsor. To learn more about the Mayfly Festival, visit <u>https://cooswatershed.org/mayfly-festival/</u>

What's the Mayfly Festival? Hundreds of local kids, parents, and community members visiting educational booths, engaging in hands-on science and art activities, parading around the park dressed as watershed creatures, and listening/dancing to live musical performances. This is an upbeat celebration of our community's connection to our beautiful, invaluable watershed.

How can you help? Sponsor support is critical for activity supplies, materials, equipment, entertainment, and event planning. We also welcome in-kind assistance such as raffle items, the loan of canopy-style tents, or volunteer time at the event itself.

Your generous support would be shared with the community through the top donor level shown to the right:

For more info, contact Alexa at:

(541) 888-5922 x306 or acarleton@cooswatershed.org

If you are interested in being a sponsor, please fill out the attached form by **February 15, 2025.**

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Coos Watershed Association



Levels of support (Sponsorship deadline: February 15, 2025)

\$1,000+

 ≈ Your name is included in a Jefferson Public Radio ad (and all the other perks below)

\$500 - \$1,000

 ≈ Logo on poster, banner, website, social media; shout-out in local newspaper/TV ads and during stage announcements at the event

\$300 - \$499

≈ Logo on event poster, sponsor banner at event, CoosWA website, and social media

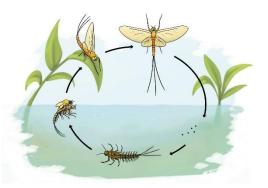
\$100 - \$299

 \approx Logo on CoosWA website and social media



Why the mayfly?

This aquatic insect lives dual lives—first, swimming around in our creeks and rivers for years at a time, and then emerging from the water to become a flying insect for less than 24 hours. Mayflies are critical to the aquatic food web, feeding the salmon that are born in our rivers and streams. **But they can only live in areas with good water quality, which is something we as**



humans impact every day. To us, mayflies are a symbol of healthy water, connectivity, rebirth, and the role we can all play in helping ecosystems thrive.

Why have a festival?

The 610-square mile Coos watershed (the area of land that drains from our surrounding foothills and rivers into the bay) is a very special place that is home to lots of fish, wildlife, plants, and people. Everything in our watershed is connected by water, which deserves celebrating! This is also a chance to showcase the people who keep our watershed healthy—and to teach our community about ways we can actively change our daily behavior in favor of watershed health.



Feedback from participants:



 $Coos\ Watershed\ Association \sim\ Supporting\ environmental\ integrity\ and\ economic\ stability\ within\ the\ Coos\ watershed\ \sim\ cooswatershed.org$



Sponsorship/Donation Form

Saturday, May 17, 2025: Mingus Park, Coos Bay Be a Coos Watershed Association partner at this family-friendly watershed event! Deadline to become a sponsor: <u>February 15, 2025</u>

Donor Name:
Donor Address:
Check/Cash Contribution Amount:
Description of items donated to raffle:
Estimated value of raffle items: \$
Sponsorship/donation method
Online method (preferred): use the "Donate" button at https://cooswatershed.org/what-you-can-do/
Please include "2025 Mayfly Festival" in the "Write a note" field
Check attached
Check will be mailed on
Please make checks payable to Coos Watershed Association with "2025 Mayfly Festival" in subject line; send to Coos Watershed Association, PO Box 388, Coos Bay OR 97420

Donor Signature: ______Date: _____

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Thank you for your support!